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#### Abstract

The organothallium phosphorus adduct  $(Me_3SiCH_2)_3Tl \cdot P(SiMe_3)_3$  (1) was prepared by combining  $(Me_3SiCH_2)_3Tl$  and  $P(SiMe_3)_3$  at room temperature. Compound 1 was characterized by  $^1H$ ,  $^{13}C\{^1H\}$ , and  $^{31}P\{^1H\}$  NMR, partial elemental analysis, EI mass spectrometry, and single-crystal X-ray analysis, the first to be reported for a thallium-group 15 adduct. Crystal data for 1: trigonal system, space group P  $^3$ , with a =  $^16.063(6)$  Å, c =  $^12.148(3)$  Å,  $^12.148(3)$  Å

#### **INTRODUCTION**

As a result of our efforts to find facile methods of forming 13-15 bonds, we have prepared and characterized a variety of new and interesting compounds <sup>1</sup>. Among these are Lewis acid-base

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adducts of the type  $R_3M^{\bullet}E(SiMe_3)_3$  ( $R = Me_3SiCH_2$ , M = Ga, E = As or P;  $^{1c}M = In$ ,  $E = As^{1a}$  or  $P^{1c}$ ;  $R = Ph^{1a,b}$ , M = Ga, E = As or P). The successful isolation of these compounds motivated us to continue our studies of 13-15 adducts, specifically those containing thallium. Although thallium-group 15 adducts have been prepared<sup>2</sup>, no solid-state structures of such compounds have been reported.

To this end, herein, we report the synthesis and structural characterization of the novel organothallium phosphorus compound (Me<sub>3</sub>SiCH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>3</sub>Tl•P(SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub> (1).

#### EXPERIMENTAL

Synthesis

General Considerations. All manipulations of air- and moisture-sensitive materials were performed in a Vacuum Atmospheres HE-493 Dri-Lab containing an argon atmosphere or by general Schlenk techniques. Pentane and hexane were distilled over sodium-potassium alloy under dry dinitrogen. (Me<sub>3</sub>SiCH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>3</sub>Tl<sup>3</sup>, and P(SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub><sup>4</sup> were synthesized by literature procedures.  $^{1}$ H,  $^{13}$ C{ $^{1}$ H}, and  $^{31}$ P{ $^{1}$ H} NMR spectra were recorded on a Varian Unity 400 spectrometer operating at 400, 100.6, and 161.9 MHz, respectively.  $^{1}$ H and  $^{13}$ C{ $^{1}$ H} spectra were referenced to TMS by using the residual protons or carbons of deuterated benzene at  $\delta$  7.15 or 128 ppm, respectively.  $^{31}$ P{ $^{1}$ H} spectra were referenced externally to 85% H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub> at  $\delta$  0.00 ppm. All NMR samples were prepared in 5-mm tubes which were septum-sealed under argon. Melting points (uncorrected) were obtained with a Thomas-Hoover Uni-melt apparatus and capillaries were flame-sealed under argon. Elemental Analyses were performed by E+R Microanalytical Laboratory, Inc., Corona, NY. Mass spectral data were collected on a JEOL JMS-SX 102A spectrometer operating in the electron ionization mode at 20 eV. X-ray crystallographic data were obtained at -120 °C on a Rigaku AFC6/S diffractometer utilizing graphite-monochromated Mo-K $\alpha$ ( $\lambda$  = 0.71073 Å) radiation.

#### Preparation of (Me<sub>3</sub>SiCH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>3</sub>Tl•P(SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub> (1)

(Me<sub>3</sub>SiCH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>3</sub>Tl (0.466 g, 1.00 mmol) dissolved in 25 mL of pentane was added to a 250 mL round-bottomed screw-top flask equipped with a Teflon valve and magnetic stirbar. P(SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub> (0.251 g, 1.00 mmol) dissolved in 25 mL of pentane was added dropwise to the stirred (Me<sub>3</sub>SiCH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>3</sub>Tl solution. The resulting clear solution was stirred at room temperature outside of the dry box for 24 h. The volatiles were removed *in vacuo* to yield a faint-purple crystalline solid which was extracted into 5 mL of warm hexane. Cooling of the extract to -30 °C for 2 d afforded colorless X-ray quality crystals of 1 (0.562 g, 78.4%). mp. 68-71 °C. Anal. Calcd. (found) for C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>60</sub>PSi<sub>6</sub>Tl: C, 35.20 (35.09); H, 8.44 (8.20). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  0.08, 0.90 [d, -CH<sub>2</sub>, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>Tl-H</sub> = 329 Hz], 0.13 [d, -SiMe<sub>3</sub>, <sup>4</sup>J<sub>Tl-H</sub> = 7 Hz], 0.33 [d, P-SiMe<sub>3</sub>, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>P-H</sub> = 5 Hz]. <sup>13</sup>C{ <sup>1</sup>H} NMR (C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  2.07, 3.01 [d, -CH<sub>2</sub>Si(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>Tl-C</sub> = 95 Hz], 4.13 [d, -PSi(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>P-C</sub> = 12 Hz], 29.02, 37.32 [d, -CH<sub>2</sub>Si(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>Tl-C</sub> = 835 Hz]. <sup>31</sup>P{ <sup>1</sup>H} NMR (C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub>):  $\delta$  -251.7 (s). Mass spec.: m/z 451, (C<sub>1</sub>H<sub>3</sub>3Si<sub>3</sub>Tl)+; 379, (C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>22</sub>Si<sub>2</sub>Tl)+; 250, (C<sub>9</sub>H<sub>27</sub>PSi)+.

#### X-Ray Crystal Structure Determination

Crystallographic data for 1 are summarized in Table 1. The crystal used was a colorless block which was mounted on a glass fiber with a viscous oil under a stream of cold dinitrogen. X-ray intensity data were recorded at -120 °C and the structures were solved by direct methods. Full-matrix least-squares refinement with weights based upon counter statistics was performed. Hydrogen atoms were incorporated at their calculated positions using a riding model in the later iterations of refinement which converged at R = 0.042 ( $R_w = 0.045$ ). A final difference-Fourier synthesis revealed no unusual features (max. 1.64, min. -1.24 e Å-3). Crystallographic calculations were performed using the NRCVAX<sup>5</sup> suite of structure determination programs. For all structure-factor calculations, neutral atom scattering factors and their anomalous dispersion corrections were taken from ref. 6. Interatomic distances and angles are given in Table 2. Non-hydrogen atom fractional atomic coordinates are listed in Table 3. An ORTEP<sup>7</sup>

diagram showing the solid-state conformation and atom numbering scheme of 1 is presented in the Figure.

#### **RESULTS AND DISCUSSION**

The 1:1 mole ratio reaction of (Me<sub>3</sub>SiCH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>3</sub>Tl with P(SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub> at room temperature affords the adduct (Me<sub>3</sub>SiCH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>3</sub>Tl•P(SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub> (1) in a good yield. Compound 1 is a crystalline material which is stable over long periods of time under inert atmosphere. In addition, 1 is surprisingly stable upon exposure to air and moisture and does not decompose rapidly. Interestingly, the resonances observed in the <sup>1</sup>H, <sup>13</sup>C(<sup>1</sup>H), and <sup>31</sup>P(<sup>1</sup>H) NMR spectra of 1 have chemical shifts that are very close to those observed for the starting materials, which suggests that 1 dissociates in benzene solution at room temperature. The <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C(<sup>1</sup>H) spectra also evidence the fact that the thallium atom, with its spin of 1/2, couples to the protons and carbon atoms of its three Me<sub>3</sub>SiCH<sub>2</sub>- ligands (see references 2a and 2b for representative <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C spectral parameters of organothallium compounds).

Compound 1 crystallizes in the trigonal system with three molecules occupying the general positions of the P3<sub>1</sub> space group. In the solid state, this molecule adopts the conformation depicted in the Figure. The most noteworthy structural feature of 1 is the novel Tl-P bond length of 2.922(3) Å. This bond is longer than the sum of the covalent radii<sup>8</sup> (2.62 Å) for the thallium and phosphorus atoms, which is not surprising due to the dative nature of the bond. The coordination geometry about the thallium center is that of a distorted tetrahedron with a mean C-Tl-C angle of 118.0° and a mean C-Tl-P angle of 98.1°. Mean bond angles at the P atom [Tl-P-Si = 112.5° > Si-P-Si = 106.3°] reflect the relayed effect of the steric compressions resulting from the angular deformations around Tl. Since Tl-P analogs of 1 are not known, comparison of its bond lengths and bond angles with similar compounds is confined to the analogous gallium and indium compounds (Me<sub>3</sub>SiCH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>3</sub>Ga•P(SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub> (2)<sup>1c</sup> and (Me<sub>3</sub>SiCH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>3</sub>In•P(SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub> (3)<sup>1c</sup>. As expected, the metal-phosphorus bond lengths of 2.646(3) and 2.771(2) Å in 2 and 3, respectively, are significantly shorter than the observed thallium-

phosphorus linkage in 1. Surprisingly, the observed degree of angular distortion around the thallium center in 1 is in accord with that seen in 2 [mean C-Ga-C angle = 116.7°, mean C-Ga-P angle = 100.3°] and 3 [mean C-In-C angle = 116.2°, mean C-In-P angle = 101.4°] despite the metal size difference.

Future investigations in this area will focus on determining the utility of 1 as a single-source precursor to TlP and on preparing alternate organothallium pnicogen compounds.

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#### SUPPLEMENTARY DATA

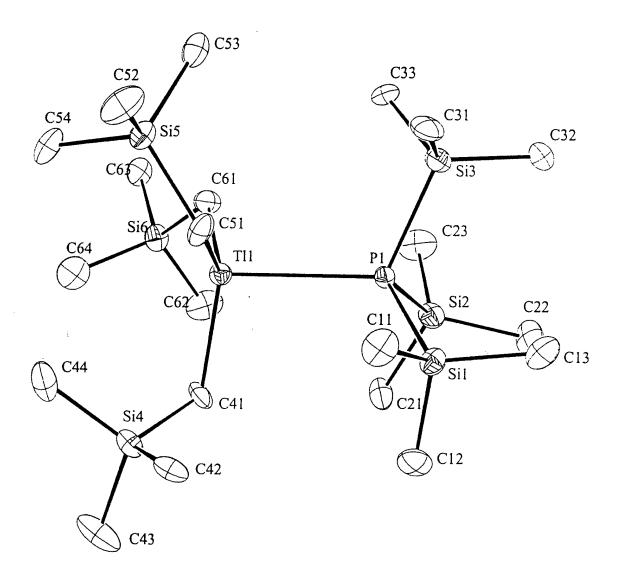
Additional material consisting of a summary of crystallographic data and measurements, atomic coordinates, thermal parameters, bond distances and angles, and structure factors (9 pages).

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## Caption to Figure

Figure. ORTEP diagram (30% probability ellipsoids) showing the solid state structure and atom numbering scheme of 1. Hydrogen atoms are omitted for clarity.



Figure

Table 1. Crystallographic Data and Measurements for (Me<sub>3</sub>SiCH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>3</sub>Tl•P(SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub> (1)

	1
molecular formula	C <sub>21</sub> H <sub>60</sub> PSi <sub>6</sub> Tl
formula weight	716.55
crystal system	trigonal
space group	P3 <sub>1</sub>
a, Å	16.063(6)
c, Å	12.148(3)
V, Å3	2714.3(11)
Z	3
radiation (wavelength, Å)	Μο-Κα (0.71073)
μ, mm <sup>-1</sup>	4.75
temp, °C	-120
D <sub>calcd</sub> , g cm <sup>-3</sup>	1.315
crystal dimens., mm	0.30 x 0.30 x 0.30
$T_{max}$ ; $T_{min}$	0.360:0.300
scan type	ω
$2\Theta_{\text{max}}$ , deg	50
no. of rflns recorded	3998
no. of non-equiv.	3998
rflns recorded	
no. of rflns retained,	3333
$I > 2.5 \sigma(I)$	

Table 1 (continued)

	1
no. of params.	262
refined	
$R; R_w^a$	0.042; 0.045
goodness-of-fitb	1.21
max shift / esd. in final	0.012
least-squares cycle	
final max, min $\Delta \rho$ , e/Å <sup>-3</sup>	1.64; -1.24
goodness-of-fit <sup>b</sup> max shift / esd. in final least-squares cycle	1.21 0.012

 $<sup>{}^{</sup>a}R = \Sigma (||F_{o}| - |F_{c}||)/\Sigma |F_{o}| \; ; \; R_{w} = [\Sigma w_{.} (|F_{o}| - |F_{c}|)^{2}/\Sigma w \; |F_{o}|^{2}]^{1/2}.$ 

 $b_{Goodness\text{-of-fit}} = [\Sigma w \Delta^2/(N_{observations} - N_{parameters})]^{1/2}.$ 

Table 2. Bond Distances (Å) and bond angles (°) for **1**, with Estimated Standard Deviations in Parentheses

Tl(1)-P(1)	2.922(3)	Si(3)-C(32)	1.87(2)	
Tl(1)-C(41)	2.24(1)	Si(3)-C(33)	1.84(2)	
Tl(1)-C(51)	2.23(2)	Si(4)-C(41)	1.85(2)	
Tl(1)-C(61)	2.25(2)	Si(4)-C(42)	1.85(2)	
P(1)-Si(1)	2.267(5)	Si(4)-C(43)	1.87(2)	
P(1)-Si(2)	2.249(5)	Si(4)-C(44)	1.85(2)	
P(1)-Si(3)	2.261(5)	Si(5)-C(51)	1.86(2)	
Si(1)-C(11)	1.85(2)	Si(5)-C(52)	1.88(2)	
Si(1)-C(12)	1.86(2)	Si(5)-C(53)	1.87(2)	
Si(1)-C(13)	1.84(2)	Si(5)-C(54)	1.86(2)	
Si(2)-C(21)	1.84(2)	Si(6)-C(61)	1.82(1)	
Si(2)-C(22)	1.86(2)	Si(6)-C(62)	1.87(2)	
Si(2)-C(23)	1.84(2)	Si(6)-C(63)	1.86(2)	
Si(3)-C(31)	1.87(2)	Si(6)-C(64)	1.85(2)	
1				
	Bond A			
P(1)-TI(1)-C(41)	98.9(4)	P(1)-Si(3)-C(33)	107.7(5)	
P(1)-T(1)-C(51)	95.1(4)	C(31)-Si(3)-C(32)	108.9(7)	
P(1)-T(1)-C(61)	100.4(4)	C(31)-Si(3)-C(33)	109.4(7)	
C(41)-TI(1)-C(51)	116.5(5)	C(32)-Si(3)-C(33)	109.1(7)	
C(41)-TI(1)-C(61)	116.2(5)	C(41)-Si(4)-C(42)	109.3(7)	
C(51)-TI(1)-C(61)	121.1(5)	C(41)-Si(4)-C(43)	110.6(7)	
Tl(1)-P(1)-Si(1)	110.7(2)	C(41)-Si(4)-C(44)	111.5(7)	
Tl(1)-P(1)-Si(2)	113.7(2)	C(42)-Si(4)-C(43)	109.0(8)	
Tl(1)-P(1)-Si(3)	113.1(2)	C(42)-Si(4)- $C(44)$	108.5(8)	
Si(1)-P(1)-C(11)	105.8(2)	C(43)-Si(4)-C(44)	107.9(9)	
Si(1)-P(1)-C(12)	107.1(2)	C(51)-Si(5)-C(52)	108.5(7)	
Si(2)-P(1)-C(13)	105.9(2)	C(51)-Si(5)-C(53)	111.4(7)	
P(1)-Si(1)-C(11)	109.9(5)	C(51)-Si(5)- $C(54)$	111.6(7)	
P(1)-Si(1)-C(12)	108.7(5)	C(52)-Si(5)-C(53)	108.2(8)	
P(1)-Si(1)-C(13)	114.2(5)	C(52)-Si(5)-C(54)	109.5(8)	

Table 2, Continued.

C(11)-Si(1)- $C(12)$	109.5(8)	C(53)-Si(5)-C(54)	107.6(8)
C(11)-Si(1)-C(13)	107.3(8)	C(61)-Si(6)-C(62)	109.7(8)
C(12)-Si(1)- $C(13)$	107.1(8)	C(61)-Si(6)-C(63)	110.8(7)
P(1)-Si(2)-C(21)	108.1(5)	C(61)-Si(6)-C(64)	111.6(8)
P(1)-Si(2)-C(22)	112.9(6)	C(62)-Si(6)-C(63)	107.8(7)
P(1)-Si(2)-C(23)	107.9(5)	C(62)-Si(6)-C(64)	109.2(9)
C(21)-Si(2)-C(22)	109.5(8)	C(63)-Si(6)-C(64)	107.7(7)
C(21)-Si(2)-C(23)	109.0(8)	Tl(1)-C(41)-Si(4)	114.5(7)
C(22)-Si(2)-C(23)	109.3(9)	Tl(1)-C(51)-Si(5)	117.2(7)
P(1)-Si(3)-C(31)	108.1(5)	Tl(1)-C(61)-Si(6)	116.2(7)
P(1)-Si(3)-C(32)	113.5(5)		

Table 3. Non-Hydrogen Atom Fractional Coordinates and Equivalent Isotropic Thermal Parameters for 1, with Estimated Standard Deviations in Parentheses

Atom	Х	у	Z	$B_{iso}(\mathring{A}^2)^a$
Tl	0.33779(7)	0.01648(3)	0.7786(-)	2.21(4)
P(1)	0.32523(23)	-0.01183(24)	1.0169(3)	2.11(17)
Si(1)	0.1976(3)	-0.1566(3)	1.0616(3)	2.76(20)
Si(2)	0.4544(3)	-0.0102(3)	1.0908(4)	2.97(23)
Si(3)	0.3082(3)	0.1011(3)	1.1091(3)	2.74(20)
Si(4)	0.2590(3)	-0.1886(3)	0.6235(4)	3.16(23)
Si(5)	0.1911(3)	0.1084(3)	0.6955(4)	2.85(20)
Si(6)	0.5662(3)	0.1635(3)	0.6747(4)	3.15(21)
C11	0.0902(10)	-0.1757(11)	0.9849(14)	3.8(8)
C12	0.2257(11)	-0.2520(10)	1.0249(14)	3.9(8)
C13	0.1666(12)	-0.1708(11)	1.2089(14)	4.3(9)
C21	0.4859(12)	-0.0840(13)	1.0033(13)	3.9(11)
C22	0.4335(13)	-0.0568(14)	1.2342(14)	5.0(12)
C23	0.5543(11)	0.1144(12)	1.0896(17)	5.0(11)
C31	0.1836(11)	0.0777(11)	1.0855(13)	3.5(8)
C32	0.3295(12)	0.1019(11)	1.2609(13)	3.7(9)
C33	0.3950(12)	0.2191(10)	1.0513(13)	3.3(9)
C41	0.3473(11)	-0.1126(11)	0.7290(12)	3.3(8)
C42	0.1394(11)	-0.2599(10)	0.6882(13)	3.7(9)
C43	0.2946(13)	-0.2726(15)	0.5602(17)	5.9(12)
C44	0.2450(12)	-0.1152(13)	0.5116(13)	4.8(10)
C51	0.1944(10)	0.0059(10)	0.7622(13)	3.4(7)
C52	0.0621(11)	0.0773(12)	0.6823(16)	4.9(10)
C53	0.2557(12)	0.2201(12)	0.7797(14)	4.0(9)
C54	0.2481(12)	0.1349(12)	0.5567(14)	4.4(10)
C61	0.4744(11)	0.1588(10)	0.7663(13)	3.6(8)

 $<sup>{}^{</sup>a}B_{iso}$  = the mean of the principal axes of the thermal ellipsoid

Table 3, Continued.

Atom	х	у	Z	$B_{iso}(\mathring{A}^2)^a$
C62	0.6225(11)	0.0977(12)	0.7381(17)	5.1(11)
C63	0.6625(10)	0.2895(11)	0.6513(13)	3.7(8)
C64	0.5159(12)	0.1100(13)	0.5392(15)	4.8(10)

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